

Application No. 10/656,936
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A clip comprising:
a body having a first side and a second side;
a flat portion between the first side and the second side;
a step portion located on the flat portion, with portions of the flat portion located on opposite sides of the step portion;

a first prong member projecting outward from the first side of the body; and
a second prong member projecting outward from the second side of the body,
with the first and second prong members bent transverse to the body in a first direction and the step portion is transverse to the body in a second direction;

the body, the flat portion, the step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member being formed from a one piece blank member;

wherein the step portion has an open faced recess projecting outwardly in the first direction; and

wherein the first prong member and the second prong member are straight, unbent single-length members.

Claims 2-3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The clip according to claim 1, wherein the first prong member and the second prong member have has a pointed end and at least one barb along the [a] length of the first prong member and the second prong member.

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Claim 5 (Original): The clip according to claim 1, wherein the step portion has about a 0.25 inch - 0.50 inch step radius.

Claim 6 (Original): The clip according to claim 1, wherein the clip is a metal material.

Claim 7 (Original): The clip according to claim 1, wherein the clip is a polymeric material.

Claims 8-20 (Cancelled)

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The clip according to claim 1, wherein the material thickness for the flat portion, the step portion, the first prong member, and the second prong member is uniform, and wherein the planar width of the first prong member and the second prong member is less than the planar width of the flat portion and the ~~second~~ step portion.

Claim 22 (New) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the portions of the flat portion located on opposite sides of the step portion have a smooth and continuous undersurface extending between the step portion and the first prong member and the step portion and the second prong member.

Claim 23 (New) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the clip is structured for use with sound absorbing media used with roof decks.